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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Veterinary Medicine Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The meeting will be open to the public.

Name of Committee: Veterinary Medicine Advisory Committee.

General Function of the Committee: To provide advice and recommendations to the agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

Date and Time: The meeting will be held on December 10 and 11, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

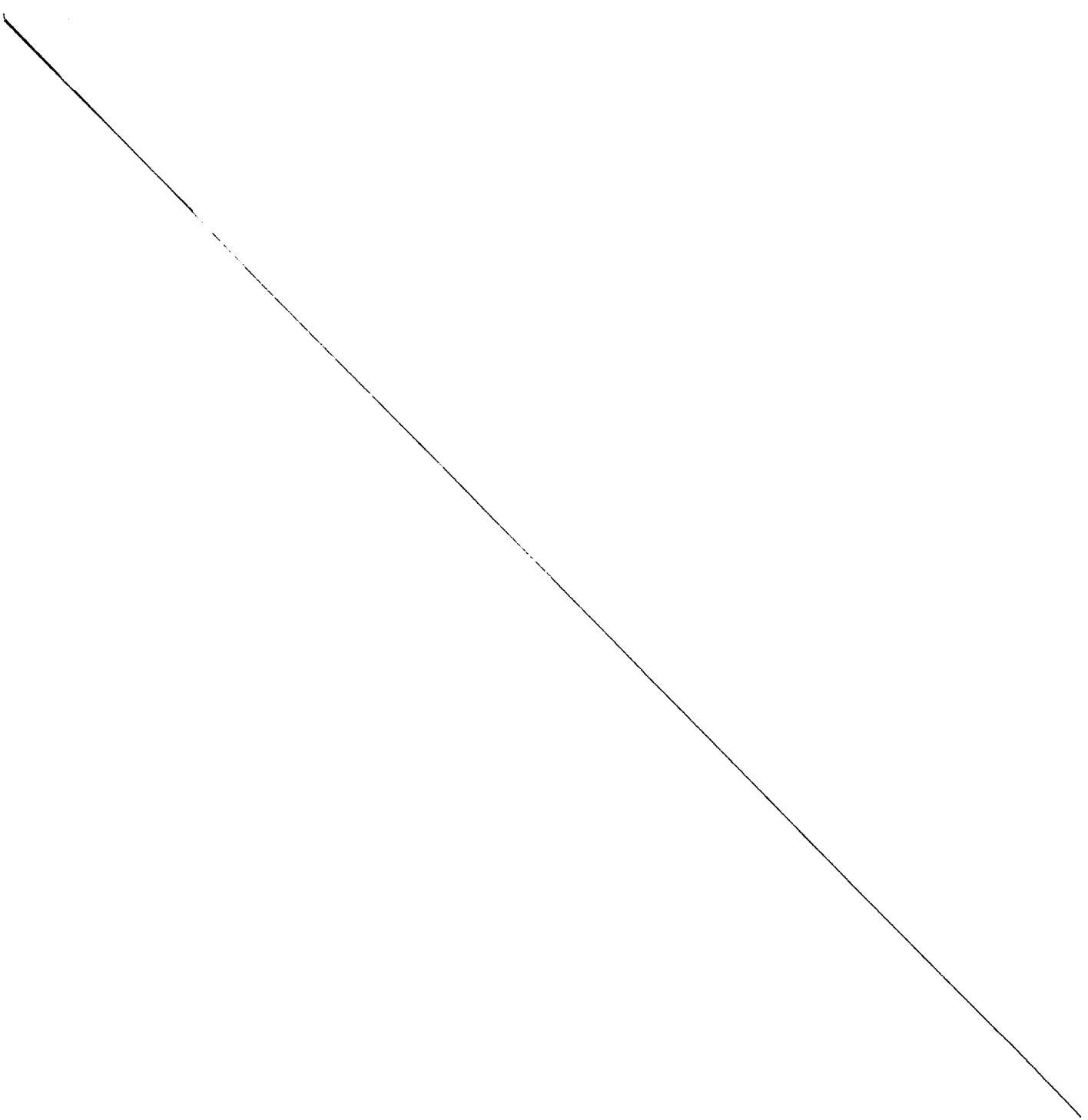
Location: Holiday Inn, Two Montgomery Village Ave., Gaithersburg, MD.

Contact: Jacquelyn L. Pace, Center for Veterinary Medicine (HFV-200), Food and Drug Administration, 7500 Standish Pl., Rockville, MD 20855, 301-827-6650, or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1-800-741-8138 (301-443-0572 in the Washington, DC area), code 12546. Additional information about the meeting will be provided on the Center for Veterinary Medicine Internet Home Page (<http://www.fda.gov/cvm>) after November 1, 1998. Please call the Information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting.

Agenda: The committee will discuss a proposed framework on how to evaluate the potential public health hazard from resistant pathogens and resistance genes associated with the use of antimicrobials in food animals.

Procedure: Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person

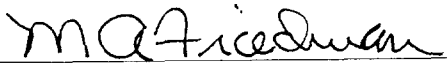
by December 3, 1998. Oral presentations from the public are tentatively scheduled for the morning of December 11, 1998. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person before December 3, 1998, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time requested to make their presentation.



Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app.

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Dated: November 5, 1998



Michael A. Friedman
Deputy Commissioner for Operations

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